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To: Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas, Chairman  
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From: William T Fujioka  
Chief Executive Officer

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## **ENHANCING SERVICES TO STRENGTHEN THE 241.1 PROJECT FOR CROSSOVER YOUTH**

On March 12, 2013, a motion by Supervisor Ridley-Thomas directed the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), in conjunction with the Departments of Children and Family Services (DCFS), Probation, Public Health (DPH), and Mental Health (DMH), to implement the 241.1 Crossover Youth Project recommendations identified in the CEO's November 2, 2012 report as follows:

1. Authorize the Director of DPH, or his designee, to amend applicable existing substance use disorder services agreements by incorporating new Statements of Work to increase service capacity and expedite implementation, increasing the current contractual maximum obligations by a prorated amount for Fiscal Year (FY) 2012-13 and \$1,143,000 annually thereafter, unless otherwise directed by the Board, for treatment slots dedicated to the 241.1 Crossover Youth Project, subject to review and approval by County Counsel and notification to the Board of the particular contract amendments and amendment totals;
2. Instruct the 241.1 DMH psychiatric social workers to provide specific recommendations as to the type of mental health services a youth needs, and which agencies in the youth's service area could provide such services;
3. Authorize the Director of DPH, or his designee, to develop a process for referring crossover youth identified by the Multi-Disciplinary Team as needing substance abuse services to a DPH contracted provider for substance abuse assessment and treatment, and a process for tracking the number of youth identified as needing substance abuse services, the number of referrals made and the number of youth who receive these services;

4. Instruct the CEO, DCFS and affected departments to report annually on the 241.1 evaluation measures identified in the CEO's November 2012 report;
5. Instruct County Counsel to work with the CEO to review AB 1405 (2008) and submit revised proposed statutory language to the Legislature to prohibit the use of incriminating information obtained during a clinical interview against a youth in any court proceedings; and
6. Direct DCFS to report back to the Board in 60 days on the status of its Prevention Pilot, including any outcomes and implementation-related issues.

On March 19, 2013, an additional motion by Supervisor Ridley-Thomas directed the CEO, in conjunction with juvenile court leadership, and the Directors of DPH, Probation, DCFS, and DMH, to report back in 60 days on a written plan that ensures these Departments engage in coordinated and integrated referrals and high-quality service delivery with measurable outcomes for adolescent youth needing substance abuse services. This plan should leverage available Medi-Cal or other funding sources, standardize referral protocols and quality controls across departments, avoid unnecessary disruptions in care and identify any gaps. This report should also include an analysis on the extent to which non-incarcerated probation youth are receiving appropriate substance abuse services.

The CEO created a project plan which outlines the scope and deliverables of these two motions, and established a workgroup to address them. The workgroup, chaired by the CEO, includes representatives from DMH, DPH, DCFS, Department of Health Services, Probation, Public Defender, Juvenile Court, and County Counsel and is focusing on improving the service integration and coordination for 241.1 crossover youth, automating a tracking system for making referrals and reporting outcomes, and determining the most appropriate resources needed. This workgroup began meeting in April and is scheduled to meet several times over the next few months.

It has been determined that additional time is needed to make these program improvements and determine the most appropriate resources. Therefore, we request a 90-day extension to complete this report. In addition, since these two motions are so closely linked together, we request the ability to respond to the March 12, 2013 motion at the same time we respond to the March 19, 2013 motion.

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